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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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APPLICATION No.: Unassigned

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FOR: **VACUUM PACKAGING APPLIANCE WITH
VACUUM SIDE CHANNEL LATCHES**

EXAMINER: Unassigned

ART UNIT: Unassigned

**Transmittal of Utility Patent Application
for Filing Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)****Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application by inventor Alexandre Baptista, and entitled:

**VACUUM PACKAGING APPLIANCE WITH VACUUM SIDE CHANNEL
LATCHES**1. Enclosed are:

- ☒ This Transmittal letter.
- ☒ One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO datestamp.
- ☒ Certificate of Express Mail.
- ☒ One utility patent application containing text pages 1-30 and
 - ☒ 8 Sheets of drawings.

2. U.S. Priority

- ☒ This application claims the benefit of U.S. Application No. 60/450,528 and U.S. Application No. 60/450,295, both filed February 27, 2003, which are both incorporated herein in their entirety by reference.
- ☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing *if* required to establish copendency with the parent after all papers filed herewith have been considered.

3. Foreign Priority

- ☐ Priority of Application No. filed in on is claimed under 35 USC §119.
- ☐ A certified copy of this priority document is enclosed.

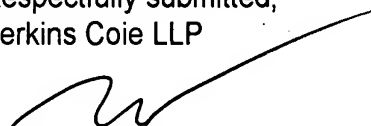
4. Fees

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- ☒ ***Filing fee to be submitted in response to anticipated receipt of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. DO NOT CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT.**

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